

HOUSE RESOLUTION 22
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate David A. Pickler upon being named Citizen of the Year by the Germantown Lions Club.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David A. Pickler is one such admirable person and dedicated professional who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors and, for this reason, has been named Citizen of the Year by the Germantown Lions Club; and

WHEREAS, before beginning his illustrious career, Mr. David A. Pickler graduated Magna Cum Laude from Arkansas State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management in 1980 and from Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law, University of Memphis, with a Juris Doctor in 1985; he was admitted to the Tennessee Bar in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pickler is highly respected in the Germantown community for his exceptional work as a Certified Financial Planner; a Chartered Financial Consultant; a lawyer, with an active practice emphasizing Tax and Estate Planning; and President and Chief Manager of Pickler Wealth Advisors, LLC, a company which customizes wealth management solutions through a disciplined process of financial and estate planning in an effort to achieve the client's life goals; and

WHEREAS, because of David Pickler's hard-work and diligence, he is considered one of the leading Estate Planning Advisors in the nation, providing planning solutions for retirees and Comprehensive Financial Services for clients in transition due to life events; and

WHEREAS, other noteworthy professional responsibilities of Mr. Pickler include serving on the IDEA Advisory Committee of the United States Senate, acting as a financial commentator on Fox-13 television, lecturing in tax and financial planning matters, and performing as an approved instructor for attorneys and certified public accountants seeking continuing professional education; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his commendable work commitments, David Pickler has served in leadership roles on many different boards, including service as past President of the International Association for Financial Planning, Chairman of the Shelby County Board of Education, Master Board Member of the All-Tennessee School Board, Chairman of the Germantown Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, President of the Leadership Germantown Alumni Association, and President of the Kiwanis Club of Germantown; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pickler is dedicated to Germantown, and has served as a member on various boards designed to develop and enhance the Germantown community; he has been a member of the Executive Board of the Planned Giving Council of Greater Memphis, the Investment Advisory Committee for the National Science Teacher's Association, the Shelby County Board of Education, the Chickasaw Council Executive Board for the Boy Scouts of America, and the Mid South AIDS Fund; and

WHEREAS, due to his lifelong commitment to improving education, Mr. Pickler was awarded a Lifetime Membership in recognition of his volunteer efforts by the Parent Teacher Association and a Distinguished Service Award by the National School Boards Association; and

WHEREAS, his remarkable success is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pickler is an active member of Germantown United Methodist Church, which he serves faithfully; and

WHEREAS, David Pickler is an extremely gifted person who has helped to make Germantown a thriving community and a model of excellence and efficiency, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, David Pickler is fortunate to share a love and companionship with his wife, Mary Elizabeth “Beth” Campbell Pickler, and their two children, Kathleen Elizabeth and Christopher David. This family has the unique honor of each member being recognized by the city of Germantown as Hometown Heroes as part of the Millennium Celebration of Germantown in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Pickler is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the “Volunteer State,” and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend David A. Pickler for his honorable and astute service to the good people of Germantown as an attorney, financial advisor, and public servant for this fair city. We thank him for his unswerving dedication to his fellow Tennesseans, congratulate him upon his receipt of the Germantown Lions Club’s Citizen of the Year Award, and extend to him our best wishes for continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.